



John Allan Sjostrom

September 24, 1923 - February 6, 2021

Sjostrom, John age 97 of Brainerd, formerly of Golden Valley, passed away on 2/6/2021.

Preceded in death by loving wife, Phyllis.

He was a WWII Army veteran who served in the Pacific.

Survived by children, Jay (Terry), Beth, Karen (Scott), Eric (Kriss); grandchildren, Ben (Karla), Sam (Shelli), Josh (Erin), Jake, Zach, Alex, Adam, Charlie, Kaiti, and Annika; great-grandchildren, Leah, Anna, Soren, Bo, Izak, and Miles; and numerous nieces and nephews; to benefit children, memorials preferred to Second Harvest Heartland at 2Harvest.org Due to the pandemic, a memorial celebration will be held at a later date. Interment Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

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“*Mary Ellen and I send our sincere condolences to John's children, their spouses, and the many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Know that John played a significant role in my journey to adulthood, one I will never forget. He never had an unkind word for me even if I botched a furniture delivery or came back with a dent in one of the trucks. I always enjoyed working in his domain of the warehouse and outlet store and learned a lot about how to treat customers while watching him handle the constant flow of people, some very odd, who came through the front door of the outlet. His expertise in loading a furniture van or a customer's car was a skill passed on to me that I have used for decades as we have moved, or I have helped friends and family move. I still help people tie stuff on the top of their cars in the parking lot when visiting Home Depot.*

The one thing that I am always reminded of is the strength of character and the tireless work ethic that was forged into John and his brothers and sister on that modest patch of ground in Bernadotte, Minnesota. We can only hope to pass some of it onto our families.

Mark and Mary Ellen Sjostrom

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